Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 28 Mar 2024

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 26 Mar 2024 at 16:44

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions continuing with low pressure generally to the west of the UK, but lower for details.

Headline for Wednesday 27 Mar 2024: Morning rain, sleet and snow, brighter afternoon with wintry showers. Breezy.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sleet	Light snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
<05%	10%	20%	80%	30%	40%	30%	10%

Forecast for Wednesday 27 Mar 2024

Weather: Mainly dry through the early hours with clear spells but cloud increasing towards dawn. Some early brightness in the east but cloud and outbreaks of snow, falling increasingly as rain below about 600m, spreading northeast soon after dawn, becoming more persistent and heavy for a time, with a risk of blizzards over higher mountains. The precipitation clears during the late morning to sunny spells and snow showers, with rain or sleet on the lower foothills. The showers becoming heavy at times during the afternoon, with a small risk of thunderstorms, before turning lighter and more isolated through the late afternoon and early evening. More persistent rain spreads north towards midnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Little chance through the middle of the morning, otherwise around 60%.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods or persistent cloud above 450-600m for a time around the middle of the morning, otherwise occasional or periods above 600-750m, with patches below in showers. Away from cloud visibility good, falling to just a few kilometres in snow and less than a kilometre in heavier snow, and near zero in any blizzards, becoming very good in the afternoon with just brief, but significant reductions, in snow showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	19/26 S	23/32 S	27/37 S	21/29 S	21/31 S	22/32 S	22/31 S	19/26 SE	14/21 E
300	7/19 S	11/25 S	15/31 S	12/25 SW	14/28 S	15/29 S	13/26 S	11/23 SE	8/16 E
Valley	4/12 SE	7/20 SE	12/29 SE	11/24 SW	13/28 S	14/29 S	12/26 S	8/20 SE	8/17 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	2/-3	2/-4	2/-5	1/-6	2/-4	2/-4	1/-5	1/-5	0/-5
300	4/1	4/1	4/0	3/-1	5/1	5/1	4/-1	3/-1	3/-1
Valley	4/3	5/2	5/1	4/0	6/2	6/2	4/1	4/1	3/0
Freezing Level*	900m	900m	900m	700m	700m	700m	700m	700m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

A cold, wintry day, especially on higher mountains, with gusts around 50mph over higher ridges and summits.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Tue 26 Mar 2024	1.2mm	8.6mm	8.8mm

Forecast for Thursday 28 Mar 2024

Weather: A rather cloudy day with occasionally heavy showers or longer spells of rain and sleet and summit snow, with a risk of thunderstorms.

Maximum wind: Southeasterly veering southwesterly 25-30mph, with gusts around 50mph over ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Around 25%.

Low cloud and visibility: Periods or persistent, but occasional at times, above 600-750m, lowering to 450m at times in more persistent precipitation. Away from the cloud visibility good or very good falling to several kilometres in rain and a kilometre or less in summit snow.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Around plus 3 or 4 Celsius through the early hours rising to plus 10 or 11 Celsius by day
At 600m: Around plus 1 Celsius rising to plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: Around 700m rising to just above the highest summits.

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